REMARKS

With this Response, Applicants respectfully request that claims 16-32 be withdrawn without traverse. Therefore, claims 1-15 and 33-47 are pending.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION

Claims 1-47 are subject to a restriction/election requirement. Specifically, the Office Action asserts the following:

Claims 1-15 and 33-47, and Figure 2 are restricted as Species I; and

Claims 16-24, and Figures 3A-3B and 4A-4B are restricted as Species II; and

Claims 25-32, and Figures 6 and 7A-7B are restricted as Species III.

The Office Action asserts that the Species are independent or distinct because claims to the different species recite the mutually exclusive characteristics of such species, that these Species are not obvious variants on each other based on the current record, and that there are no generic claims.

Without addressing the merits of the Restriction, and without conceding the correctness of the interpretation of the Office Action of the claims, Applicants elect Species I without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to present the non-elected species/claims in a divisional application.

CONCLUSION

      With this Election, Applicants submits that the application presents claims that are in condition for examination. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if such contact would further the examination of the above-referenced application.

      Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account number 02-2666.

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